

CLAIMS

- 1 A sheet of material suitable for the construction of a bracket, connector or joiner, said sheet material having a least one series of shaped apertures to facilitate the folding or cutting of the sheet material.
- 5 2 A sheet of material as defined in claim 1 wherein the shaped apertures are in rows longitudinally and orthogonally of the sheet.
- 3 A sheet of material as defined in claim 1 or claim 2 when the material is sheet metal.
- 4 A sheet of material as defined in claim 2 wherein the shaped apertures have an apex or point extending longitudinally and orthogonally of the sheet.
- 10 5 A sheet of material as defined in claim 4 wherein the shaped apertures are square or diamond shaped.
- 6 A sheet of material as defined in claim 4 wherein the sheet is provided with a series of rows of round holes positioned between the rows of shaped apertures.
- 15 7 A method of constructing a bracket or joiner including the step of providing a sheet having rows of apertures extending longitudinally and orthogonally of the sheet, said apertures being so shaped to provide for folding and/or cutting longitudinally and/or orthogonally of the sheet, and cutting and bending the sheet to form a bracket or joiner.
- 20 8 A method as defined in claim 7 wherein the shaped apertures are squares or diamonds with the diagonals extending longitudinally and orthogonally of the sheet.
- 9 A method as defined in claim 7 wherein the sheet is provided with rows of round attaching holes spaced between the rows of shaped apertures.
- 25 10 Bracket or joiner when made by the method of any one of claims 7 to 9.